

Today, we will explore the opera "Hansel and Gretel". You will need to follow along online to answer the questions given on this worksheet. Although this opera was written about 100 years later in the late 1800's, it still serves as a good example of an opera seen during the Classical Era.

1. When does one find an overture during an opera? Describe also the musicians that are used.
2. How many Acts are in this specific opera?
3. What is the name of the 1st Act? What two decisions are you asked to make during the first song?
4. What does Hansel do that anger's his mother? What makes her even angrier? What is Hansel's punishment?
5. What does father have with him when he enters? How does mother anger father? What is father afraid for the children?
6. What is the name of the 2nd Act? What happened to Hansel and Gretel as they finished picking strawberries?
7. In their fright, what do they do, who do they call on as they are afraid?
8. What is the name of the third Act? What decision does the set designer have to make?
9. What frightening event opens the 3rd Act?
10. How does stage direction help the witch know where to step?
11. What is the climax of the opera?
12. As shown in the bows, was anyone hurt in this production 😊